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Upon reviewing the above-identified patent, Patentee noted an error which should be corrected.

The following errors were not in the application as filed by applicant:

In the Specification:

Column 5, Line 19, Delete "ncount_d=refhln 1" and insert - - ncount_d=refhln1 - -.

Column 9, Line 18 (Approx.) In Claim 15, insert -- a -- before "multiplexer".

The error was not in the application as filed by applicant; accordingly no fee is required.

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The following errors were found in the application as filed by applicant. The errors are now sought to be corrected are inadvertent typographical errors, the correction of which does not involve new matter or require reexamination.

Column 5, Line 41, After "same" insert --.--.

Transmitted herewith is a proposed Certificate of Correction effecting such amendment. Patentee respectfully solicits the granting of the requested Certificate of Correction.

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ncount_d=refhln1. Alternatively, processing proceeds from decision block 420 to decision block 421 when either pcount_d≠refhlp1 or ncount_d≠refhln1. At block 430, signal CLK_D is adjusted such that signal CLK_D corresponds to a second logic level (e.g. low). Processing then proceeds from block 430 to block decision block 422. According to one example, decision blocks 420-422 are be performed simultaneously with combinational logic.

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whether determination is made block 421, a At decision pcount_d=refhlp2 and ncount_d=refhlpn2. Processing proceeds from decision block 421 to block 430 when pcount_d=refhlp2 and ncount_d=refhln2. Alternatively, processing proceeds from decision block 421 to decision block 422 when either pcount_d≠refhlp2 or ncount_d≠refhln2. At decision block 422, a determination is made whether pcount_d=reflhp and ncount_d=reflhn. Processing proceeds from decision block 422 to decision block 424 when either pcount_d≠reflhp or ncount_d≠reflhn. Alternatively, processing proceeds from decision block 422 to block 432 when Although decision blocks 420-422 are pcount_d=reflhp and ncount_d=reflhn. illustrated as separate blocks, each of the comparisons may be performed at the same

At block 432, signal CLK_D is adjusted such that signal CLK_D corresponds to a first logic level (e.g. logic 1). Processing then proceeds from block 432 to block decision block 424. At decision block 424, a determination is made whether proceed has reached pmax (e.g. mul). Processing proceeds from decision block 424 to decision block 426 when proceed has not reached pmax. Alternatively, processing proceeds from decision block 424 to block 434 when proceed has reached pmax. At block 434, signal CLK_D is adjusted such that signal CLK_D corresponds to a first logic level (e.g. logic 1). Processing then proceeds from block 434 to block 436. At block 436, prount_d is reset (e.g. to 1) at the next rising edge of signal CLK. Alternatively, proceeds from block 436 to decision block 426.

At decision block 426, a determination is made whether ncount_d has reached nmax (e.g. mul). Processing proceeds from decision block 426 to decision

asserted, and further configured to resume counting when a positive edge of the input clock signal occurs after the positive edge count enable signal is asserted, and wherein the second counter block is configured to reset the negative edge count value to zero and stop counting when the reset signal is asserted, and further configured to resume counting when a negative edge of the input clock signal occurs after the negative edge count enable signal is asserted.

15. The system of Claim 11, further comprising a jitter minimizing block comprising:

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a first flip-flop that is configured to provide a first clock signal in response to the divided clock signal, wherein the first flip-flop is triggered on rising edges of the input clock signal;

a second flip-flop that is configured to provide a second clock signal in response to the divided clock signal, wherein the second flip-flop is triggered on falling edges of the input clock signal; and

a multiplexer that is configured to select the first clock signal as a jitter-minimized divided output clock signal when the input clock signal corresponds to a low logical level, and further configured to select the second clock signal as the jitter-minimized divided clock output signal when the input clock signal corresponds to a high logical level.

20 16. The system of Claim 11, wherein a first of the set of reference signals has an associated first reference value, a second of the set of reference signals has an associated second reference value, a third of the set of reference signals has an associated third reference value, a fourth of the set of reference signals has an associated fourth reference value, a fifth of the set of reference signals has an associated fifth reference value, a sixth of the set of reference signals has an associated sixth reference value, and wherein the decode logic block is arranged to provide the divided clock signal by: